

What is Claimed:

1. A method for treating an ocular disease in a subject, the method comprising administering into the eye of a subject, a pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a collectin.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein said collectin is a tear surfactant protein.
3. The method of claim 1, wherein said ocular disease is dry eye.
4. The method of claim 1, wherein said ocular disease is caused by a microbe.
5. The method of claim 4, wherein said microbe is a bacterial, viral, fungal, or protozoan pathogen.
6. The method of claim 5, wherein said microbe is a gram-negative bacterium.
7. The method of claim 6, wherein said gram-negative bacterium is *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*.
8. The method of claim 1, wherein said ocular disease is keratitis.
9. The method of claim 1, wherein said subject is a contact-lens wearer.
10. The method of claim 1, wherein said collectin is applied topically.
11. The method of claim 1, further comprising administering a second therapeutic agent to said subject.
12. An ophthalmic composition comprising a collectin and a liquid aqueous medium compatible with application to a mammalian eye.
13. The ophthalmic composition of claim 12, wherein said composition is an artificial tear composition.

14. The ophthalmic composition of claim 12, wherein said composition is for storing, cleaning, re-wetting, or disinfecting a contact lens.
15. The ophthalmic composition of claim 12, wherein said collectin is a tear surfactant protein.
16. An antimicrobial lens comprising a collectin.
17. The lens of claim 16, wherein said collectin is a tear surfactant protein.
18. The lens of claim 16, wherein said lens is a contact lens.
19. A kit for the treatment of a subject having an ocular disease, the kit comprising a pharmaceutical composition comprising a collectin and instructions for the administration of the collectin.
20. A method for treating an ocular disease in a subject, the method comprising administering into the eye of a subject, a pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a surfactant protein.
21. An ophthalmic composition comprising a surfactant protein and a liquid aqueous medium compatible with application to a mammalian eye.
22. An antimicrobial lens comprising a surfactant protein.